

CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON  
Applicant, United Nations  
Educational Scientific and  
Cultural Organization  
Paris, France

September 12, 1955  
Richmond, Virginia

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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

Richmond informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past and who are familiar with some Communist Party activities in the State of Virginia, advised that the applicant and [redacted] are unknown to them and could furnish no information concerning applicant or his sister.

[redacted] Richmond Credit Bureau, advised on August 31, 1955 that she could locate no record of the applicant in her files. however, her records reflect [redacted]

[redacted] Richmond Police Department, advised on August 31, 1955 she could locate no record identifiable with the applicant or [redacted]

On September 2, 1955, [redacted] Bristol, Virginia Credit Bureau, advised she could locate no records of the applicant, his father, Reverend C. H. JOHNSON, or his mother, WINIFRED BRANCH JOHNSON.

On September 2, 1955 [redacted] Bristol, Virginia Police Department, advised that a search of her records failed to reflect any record identical with the applicant, his father, Reverend C. H. JOHNSON, or his mother, WINIFRED BRANCH JOHNSON.

On September 2, 1955 [redacted] Clerk, Washington County Trial Justice Court, Abingdon, Virginia, made available her records which failed to reflect any record concerning the applicant, his father, Reverend C. H. JOHNSON, or his mother, Mrs. WINIFRED BRANCH JOHNSON.

The files of the Richmond office contain no record identifiable with the applicant's [redacted] or his parents Reverend C. H. JOHNSON and Mrs. WINIFRED BRANCH JOHNSON.



ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Investigation at Bristol and Abingdon was conducted by SA [REDACTED]

Investigation previously conducted in the case captioned CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, Special Inquiry - State Department, Public Law 402, 80th Congress (Voice of America). Bureau File No. 123-12551 is not being included in this report inasmuch as referenced Bureau letter instructed that investigation concerning the applicant should merely be brought up to date.

INFORMANTS

Informants referred to in the report are [REDACTED] who was contacted by SA [REDACTED] on August 31, 1955, and former [REDACTED]

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REPORT MADE AT CHARLOTTE	DATE WHEN MADE 9-13-55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9-1-55	REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] MAB
TITLE CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, Applicant, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris, France			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

## SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED] UNC, advised the Southern Sociological Society in which JOHNSON listed membership, is a professional organization of sociologists for the Southern region of the United States affiliated with the American Sociological Society without any known subversive ramifications.

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September 13, 1955  
Charlotte, North Carolina

III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

AT CHAPEL HILL, NORTH CAROLINA

On September 1, 1955, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] University of North Carolina, advised  
the Southern Sociological Society in which JOHNSON listed  
membership, is a professional organization of sociologists  
for the Southern region of the United States affiliated  
with the American Sociological Society without any known  
subversive ramifications.

[REDACTED]  
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[REDACTED] She added she had never known JOHNSON  
personally but had read some of his professional publi-  
cations which she described as well regarded.

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**Report of:** Special Agent

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**Date and Place:** September 13, 1955, Charlotte,  
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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL  
WILLIAM F. TOMPKINS

DATE: SEP 21 1955

FROM : DIRECTOR, FBI

Attention:   
Records Administration BranchSUBJECT: CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON  
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For your information, and in order that consideration may be given as to whether any Federal laws have been violated, there are transmitted herewith copies of reports reflecting the result of an investigation conducted by this Bureau regarding the above-captioned individual.

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Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

These reports are listed in the attached copy of a letter transmitting results of the investigation to the United States Civil Service Commission.

There is enclosed for the Department one copy of applicant's United Nations Loyalty form. Other data as furnished by the Civil Service Commission is also enclosed for the Department's assistance.

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To: Mr. Kimbell Johnson  
Chief, Investigations Division  
U. S. Civil Service Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

File # \_\_\_\_\_

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON  
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There are transmitted herewith <sup>three</sup> ~~two~~ copies of the following reports covering an investigation conducted by this Bureau concerning the captioned individual.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Memphis, Tennessee.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Little Rock, Arkansas.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Knoxville, Tennessee.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 12, 1955, at Boston, Massachusetts.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 15, 1955, at Atlanta, Georgia.

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Please advise this Bureau of the ultimate disposition which is made of this case.

Enclosures (54) cc (1) AAG William F. Tompkins  
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Letter to Mr. Kimbell Johnson  
Chief, Investigations Division  
U. S. Civil Service Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 9, 1955, at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 15, 1955, at Birmingham, Alabama.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 13, 1955, at Charlotte, North Carolina.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 15, 1955, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 13, 1955, at Richmond, Virginia.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 15, 1955, at New York, New York.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 13, 1955, at Mobile, Alabama.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated  
September 9, 1955, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 9, 1955, at Chicago, Illinois.

Report of Special Employee [redacted]  
dated September 9, 1955, at Saint Louis, Missouri.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Cincinnati, Ohio.

Report of Special Agent [redacted]  
dated September 14, 1955, at Washington, D. C.

The attention of the Commission is directed to  
its prior inquiry in this matter.

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Letter to Mr. Kimbell Johnson  
Chief, Investigations Division  
U. S. Civil Service Commission  
Washington 25, D. C.

The attention of the Commission is directed to my letter dated February 15, 1952, which furnished prior reports of this Bureau's investigation for consideration under Executive Order 9835. The Commission advised by letter dated June 4, 1952, that Mr. Johnson was "Eligible on loyalty."

The attention of the Commission is also directed to my letter dated July 11, 1955, which brought up to date this Bureau's prior investigation.

Current reports being furnished at this time supplement reports of investigation previously submitted.

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REFER TO EMPLOYEES SECURITY SECTION

REPORT MADE AT <b>MEMPHIS</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>9/14/55</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>9/6,8,9,12/55</b>	REPORT MADE BY <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 15px;"></div>	ER
TITLE <b>CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON, Applicant, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, Paris, France</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS</b>	
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>JOHNSON has been on the faculty of Fisk University, Nashville, Tenn. since 1928. He was a professor of sociology, head of the Department of Sociology, and since 1947, has been president of the school. He resides on the Fisk University campus. He is active in civic affairs in Nashville. Persons acquainted with him advise he is loyal to the U. S. and has no subversive sympathies. They consider him as a leading educator in the U. S. and state that because of his reputation as such, he is called upon to join many organizations and usually does so. Among these are some which are alleged to be communistic. He has been active in the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and the Southern Negro Youth Congress, according to information furnished in Nashville. Persons furnishing this information advise his activities are not motivated by any communistic sympathies, but because of his interest in social problems in the South. JOHNSON himself has furnished same information in connection with other investigations. JOHNSON has been in contact with persons who are members of the Johnson Forest Group in connection with the distribution of a book being pushed by that group. He has expressed himself as opposed to communism. Credit satisfactory on JOHNSON and wife. No criminal record on either of them in Nashville.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- R U C -</p> <p>REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Memphis dated 8/26/55.</p>				
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Applicant:

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ORGANIZATIONS

September 14, 1955

Memphis, Tennessee

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# I. PERSONAL HISTORY

In connection with another investigation conducted in 1951, [redacted] Tennessee A & I State University, Nashville, Tennessee, made available a brochure which had just been prepared on Dr. JOHNSON, which reads as follows.

CHARLES S. JOHNSON was born in Bristol, Virginia on July 24, 1893, the son of a Baptist minister. His education was received at Wayland Academy, Virginia Union University, and the University of Chicago where he pursued graduate study in the field of sociology. While at the University of Chicago, he assumed the responsibility of Director of Research and Investigation for the Chicago Urban League and in 1919, was appointed Associate Executive Secretary of Chicago's Commission on race relations created by the governor of Illinois, following the race riots in that city. The volume "The Negro and Chicago", 672 pages, published by the University of Chicago press in 1922 resulted from this work.

He served in World War I as a regimental sergeant major in the 803rd Pioneer Infantry, taking part in the Meuse-Argonne offensive.

In 1921, he became Director of Research for the National Urban League with headquarters in New York, and in 1923, founded the League's periodical, "Opportunity, a Journal of Negro Life," which he edited until 1929. In 1928, he became head of the Department of Social Sciences at Fisk University and remained in this post until his election to the presidency of this institution in 1946.

His alma mater, Virginia Union University, awarded him the honorary degree Doctor of Letters in 1928. Howard University awarded the degree Doctor of Humane Letters in 1941. Columbia University awarded the



degree Doctor of Letters in 1947. Harvard University awarded the degree Doctor of Laws in 1948. In 1930, he served as American member of the International Commission appointed by the League of Nations to investigate slavery and enforced labor in Liberia, and was awarded in that same year, the William E. Harmon gold medal for distinguished achievement among Negroes in the field of science.

Among the major responsibilities might be included the secretaryship of the Commission on Negro Housing for President HOOVER's conference on home building and home ownership; authorship of a volume on Negro housing, organizer of the Institute of Race Relations at Swarthmore College in 1933; membership on the president's Committee on Farm Tenancy under President ROOSEVELT; member of the White House conference on children in a democracy, and consultant on minority problems for the children's bureau; member of the White House conference on children in Tennessee; member of the Wage and Hours Committee of the railroad carrier industry, and the cigarette and tobacco industry; member of the American Commission of twenty educators sent to Japan in 1946 at the request of General MacARTHUR to advise on the reorganization of the educational system of that country; appointed by President TRUMAN in 1946 as one of the ten U. S. delegates to the first session of the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization in Paris, and in 1947 to the second session in Mexico City; member of the Executive Committee of the U. S. National Committee for UNESCO; appointed in 1948 as a member of the President's Board of Foreign Scholarships under the Fulbright Act; delegate to the Assembly of World Council of Churches in Amsterdam, Holland in 1948; delegate to the Conference on Indian American Relations in New Delhi, India in 1949.

He was director of the Race Relations Division of the American Missionary Association from 1944 to 1948 and co-director of the Race Relations Program of the Julius Rosenwald Fund until its liquidation in 1948. He is past president (1945) of the Southern Sociological Society; Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Southern Regional Council; Vice-President of the American Hygiene Association; John Hay Whitney Foundation; member of the Board of Trustees and Fellowships Awards Committee, 1950 to present; AMA Race Relations Department, Chairman of the Advisory Board; National Manpower Council (Ford Foundation and Columbia University), member 1951; UNESCO member, 1951; National Planning Association, member; National Urban League Board of Trustees, member 1951; American Council on Education, Committee on Relationships of Higher Education to the Federal Government; Encyclopedia of the Negro, member of Board of Trustees; Southern Policy Committee, member of Executive Committee; World Social and Economic Planning, member of consultive group; National Education Committee to Cooperate with the National Association of Teachers in Colored Schools; Committee on Religious Leadership, Ministerial Training and Local Parish; Problems under the National Education Association (Division of Cooperation in Education and Race Relations), member Group Five - Problems of Negro Education in Rural Areas,



Department of Superintendence, National Education Association, member; National Youth Administration of the State of Tennessee, member of Advisory Board, 1933; Standing Committee on Instruction and Research in Housing of National Association of Housing Officials, member; U. S. Department of Labor -- Children's Bureau, consultant; Institute of Race Relations, co-director, New York University; Southern Rural Division, Negro Youth Study for the American Youth Commission, director; Bethune-Cookman College, member of Board of Trustees; National Commission on Interracial Cooperation, member of Executive Committee; Southern Commission on the Study of Lynching, member of Executive Committee; Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society, member; Countee Cullen Memorial Scholarship Committee--Honorary Chairman; International Mark Twain Society--honorary member; National Committee "The People Speak," Ford Foundation.

He published the following books:

The Negro in Chicago, 1922  
Ebony and Topaz, 1927  
Race Relations, 1934  
The Collapse of Cotton Tenancy, 1934  
The Negro in American Civilization, 1930  
Report of the International Commission on Slavery and  
Forced Labor in Liberia, 1931  
The Economic Status of Negroes, 1933  
Shadow of the Plantation, 1934  
Negro Housing (Vol. VI for the President's Conference on  
Home Building and Home Ownership), 1932  
A Preface to Racial Understanding, 1938  
The Negro College Graduate, 1938  
Growing Up in the Black Belt, 1931  
Statistical Atlas of Southern Counties, 1941  
Patterns of Negro Segregation, 1943  
To Stem this Tide, 1943  
Culture and the Educational Process, 1943  
Into the Main Stream, 1947  
One of the Editors of Race and Culture, 1950  
Education and the Cultural Crisis, 1951

## II. BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

This investigation is conducted at the request of the Civil Service Commission.

On December 7, 1951, Dr. JOHNSON was interviewed by an agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation in connection with another

matter. At that time he advised that he had been active in the Southern Negro Youth Congress, which he left when he suspected that some of the activities of this group were motivated by subversive interests with which he wanted no part.

One CHARLES JOHNSON who is not otherwise identified was listed as a member of the National Advisory Committee of Commonwealth College at Mena, Arkansas in the report of the Director of Commonwealth College dated February 25, 1939.

The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities contained the following information.

CHARLES S. JOHNSON, not otherwise identified, is listed as a sponsor of the Fourth Annual Conference, American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, held at the Annapolis Hotel, Washington, D. C. March 2 and 3, 1940. The source of the above is a photostat of an undated letterhead entitled Fourth Annual Conference, American Committee for the Protection of the Foreign Born, and the original of "Program and Call for the Fourth Annual Conference, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born."

CHARLES S. JOHNSON, not otherwise identified, is listed as a member of the sponsoring committee, National Council of the American Soviet Friendship Committee on Education. Source of the above is an original of "Proceedings of Conference on Education about the Soviet Union, Saturday, October 14, 1944, New York City." The conference was held by the committee on Education of the National Council of American Soviet Friendship.

Dr. CHARLES JOHNSON, Fisk University, Tennessee, sent greetings to the National Conference of the International Labor Defense. Source of the above is a copy of the paper "Equal Justice," July, 1939 issue, page 4.

CHARLES S. JOHNSON, director, Department of Social Science, Fisk University, Nashville, signed "Message to House of Representatives" in 1943 sponsored by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. This message opposed renewal of the Dies Committee. Source of the above is original of "A Message to the House of Representatives," January, 1943, National Federation for Constitutional Liberties."

The Southern Negro Youth Congress, Commonwealth College, the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, the National Council of American Soviet Friendship, the International Labor Defense, and the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties have all been cited by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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### III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

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#### EMPLOYMENT AND RESIDENCE

On September 8, 1955, [ ] Fisk University, Nashville, advised that CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON is the president of that university. [ ] stated that he has been acquainted with JOHNSON for many years and advised that he considers him to be a person of excellent character and reputation and stated that his associates are people who are above reproach. He pointed out that the majority of Dr. JOHNSON's associates are among professional people in the educational field and that they are all highly regarded.

[ ] stated that there is no doubt in his mind of Dr. JOHNSON's loyalty to the U. S. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON being in the position that he is, is constantly besieged with invitations to join organizations and because of his position, has to accept membership in many organizations. He advised that because of this, from time to time, he does get into organizations which are later regarded as being un-American; however, he feels that at no time would Dr. JOHNSON knowingly join such an organization. [ ] stated that he knows that Dr. JOHNSON is definitely opposed to communism and has expressed himself as being opposed to communism. He stated that he would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence.

[ ] stated that Dr. JOHNSON resides in the president's house, which is located on the Fisk University campus at 1700 Meharry Boulevard, Nashville. He advised that he has resided on the Fisk University campus since 1928.

In connection with a prior investigation concerning Dr. JOHNSON, which was conducted in 1951, the following persons were contacted:

[ ] Fisk University, Nashville, was contacted in 1951. At that time, he advised that he was a student under Dr. JOHNSON while he, [ ] attended Fisk University as an under graduate. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON was of excellent character and reputation and that he has no doubt of his being a loyal citizen. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON came to Fisk University in September, 1928 as the head of the Department of Sociology, which position he held until 1947 when he was made president of the university. During the time that he has been at Fisk, he has attained the reputation of being one of the outstanding educators in the U. S. He has served on many governmental commissions with the United Nations and on many private boards, particularly those having to do with education. [ ] stated that he could not recall from memory

all of the organizations with which Dr. JOHNSON has been associated. He stated that in connection with his official duties, Dr. JOHNSON has traveled widely throughout the U. S. and a large portion of the world and that resulting from his travels, he has friends and associates in the field of education and race relations throughout the U. S. and the world.

[ ] advised that in view of Dr. JOHNSON's interest and work in the field of race relations, particularly with regard to the Negro situation in the U. S., he is sometimes regarded as a liberal and would probably classify himself as such. He stated, however, that any activities in which JOHNSON has participated resulted from the highest motives on his part and that he has no subversive tendencies whatsoever.

[ ] was contacted in 1951 at which time [ ] of Fisk University. He advised that he has known Dr. JOHNSON for many years and has been associated with him at Fisk University. He stated that Dr. JOHNSON is an extremely high type individual who bears an excellent reputation among all those who know him and among persons in the field of education. He stated that he has a very wide acquaintanceship among educational leaders throughout the U. S. and that all his associates are all above reproach. [ ] stated that he considers Dr. JOHNSON to be extremely loyal and patriotic and that he knows he has no subversive tendencies whatsoever. He stated in this regard he knows because of his own dealings with JOHNSON at Fisk University that Dr. JOHNSON has attempted to be extremely careful to keep all subversive influences away from the university because he considers this extremely dangerous for university students to be subjected to such influences, inasmuch as they are immature and impressionable. He said that he knows that in the past when it has come to the attention of JOHNSON that any persons connected with the school had exhibited any type of subversive tendencies, JOHNSON had taken immediate steps to have this person removed from the school.

[ ] was interviewed in 1951 at which time [ ] at Fisk University. He advised that he had been associated with Dr. JOHNSON for a period of 20 or more years. He stated that he considers him to be a man of excellent character, one who is highly regarded by his associates in the field of education, and a man of outstanding ability. He advised that he considers JOHNSON to be a loyal and patriotic citizen and a person who has no subversive tendencies whatsoever. [ ] stated that he does not know all of the organizations with which Dr. JOHNSON has been associated, but that he does know that because of his interest in the field of social science, he has been connected with many organizations in his lifetime. He stated that he does not know that any

of the organizations with which Dr. JOHNSON has been associated are in any way subversive, but stated that if it happened that they were, it is his opinion that JOHNSON's motives for being connected with the organizations were entirely innocent of any subversive tendency.

[redacted] Fisk University, was interviewed in 1951 at which time she advised that she had known Dr. JOHNSON for many years. She stated that she regards him as a very high type of individual. She advised that he is outstanding in the field of education and is highly regarded by his associates. She stated that he is of excellent personal character and that his associates are above reproach. [redacted] stated that because of Dr. JOHNSON's interest in research in the field of social science and particularly in the field of race relations, he is regarded as a liberal. She stated that by this she meant that some of his ideas differed from what is the general practice in the South. She advised, however, that there is no question as to Dr. JOHNSON being a loyal citizen of the U. S. and that she believes him to be opposed to any type of subversive activity, meaning that he would probably be the first to fight against such activity.

[redacted] was interviewed in 1951 at which time she was connected with th [redacted] at Fisk University. She was formerly assistant to the president and upon being interviewed furnished the following written statement:

"Nashville, Tenn.  
December 11, 1951

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"I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to [redacted] who has identified himself to me as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"I have known Dr. Charles S. Johnson since the summer of 1938 when I first became associated with him as a research fellow in the Department of Social Sciences at Fisk University. In this capacity I worked on the research that was current in the department at that time, three of which appeared later as publications.

"My knowledge of Dr. JOHNSON as a person would lead me to believe that he is a person of excellent character, sound judgement and a person intensely interested in working for social development within our present democratic framework. He enjoys the highest reputation of people, not only within his field of competence, but a larger public as well.

"I have observed nothing which would lead me to believe that Dr. JOHNSON is not a loyal citizen.



"Because of his interest in interpreting and understanding problems, Dr. JOHNSON has participated in numerous organizations, two of which later have been termed subversive. I know that he participated in the activities of the Southern Conference of Human Welfare and the Southern Negro Youth Congress, and hereas in other organizations, he brought to bear the scientific knowledge and human understanding which characterizes his approach to problems. Even within these organizations Dr. JOHNSON approached them with a type of realism which is consistant with our whole democratic philosophy as is opposed to any subversive approach.

"I have read the above statement and it is true to the best of my knowledge.

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Dec. 11, 1951

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[redacted] Sp. Agt., FBI, Memphis, Tenn., 12/11/51"

[redacted] was recontacted on September 12, 1955 and she stated that the information set forth above is correct and she would be willing to testify to contents thereof before a hearing board.

In 1951, [redacted]

[redacted] of Fisk University, advised that he was acquainted with Dr. JOHNSON while a member of the board of the school. He stated that he considers JOHNSON to be of good reputation and character and a man of good associates, and one who is loyal to the U. S. He stated that he knows of no subversive tendencies on the part of JOHNSON and knows of no membership on the part of JOHNSON in any type of subversive organization. In this regard, [redacted] stated that he had heard that JOHNSON had been associated with the Southern Conference for Human Welfare when that organization had its headquarters in Nashville. He stated that in his own personal opinion, this organization was subversive. He said, however, that he has no actual information about the organization nor did he know enough concerning JOHNSON's relationship with the organization to furnish any statement concerning it. [redacted] stated that he would be willing to testify before any hearing board concerning JOHNSON.

On September 12, 1955, [redacted]

[redacted] of Fisk University, advised that in his capacity as a member of the board, he has dealt with Dr. JOHNSON for the past several years. He stated that he has always found Dr. JOHNSON to be of excellent character and that he bears a good reputation, not only with the [redacted] but among businessmen in Nashville with whom he is acquainted. He advised that there has never been any indication of any subversive affiliations on the part of JOHNSON and that to the contrary, he has noted that he is opposed to communism and is a loyal U. S. citizen. [redacted] is not acquainted with Dr. JOHNSON's associates.



On September 12, 1955, [redacted]  
[redacted] Fisk University, and [redacted] Nashville, advised that he has known and worked with Dr. JOHNSON for the past six to seven years. He stated that his association with him has been in connection with the administration of Fisk University and that during that time, the problem of dealing with one or two individuals who were suspected of having communist sympathies has arisen. He stated that he has always found Dr. JOHNSON to be definitely opposed to communism and interested in protecting the school and the freedom of education from the inroads of the communist philosophy. [redacted] stated that he knows of no connections on the part of Dr. JOHNSON with any subversive organizations and that he does not believe that he has such connection. In this regard, he pointed out that Dr. JOHNSON, through his position as president of Fisk University, is the target for a lot of communist propaganda which is sent to him. He stated that he has noted that Dr. JOHNSON has been particularly alert to this and has always been able to turn it away and has not been fooled or misled by it.

[redacted] stated that Dr. JOHNSON has an excellent reputation among educators and among businessmen in Nashville who are acquainted with him. He stated that he considers him to be of excellent character and that the associates of Dr. JOHNSON are above reproach. He stated that he has known some of Dr. JOHNSON's associates and known of others and stated that he has noted that Dr. JOHNSON has been particularly careful in choosing his associates so that they might be people of good character and reputation.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

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Nashville, was interviewed in 1951 in connection with another investigation concerning Dr. JOHNSON at which time he advised that he has known Dr. JOHNSON as a fellow educator for many years. He stated that he has found Dr. JOHNSON to be a man of highest integrity and one who has an excellent reputation among his associates in the field of education. He advised that he considers JOHNSON to be a loyal patriotic citizen and a man whose associates are above reproach.

In October, 1944, [redacted]  
[redacted] Nashville, was interviewed in connection with another investigation. At that time, he stated that he had known Dr. JOHNSON for a period of ten to fifteen years and stated that Dr. JOHNSON was neither a communist nor a radical but as a student of social science, he would join organizations that appeared to have communist tendencies. He stated this was because of JOHNSON's interest in social science and that his joining of these organizations was because they purported to study and improve

social conditions. He characterized JOHNSON as being a loyal, patriotic citizen, stating that he was one of the best informed persons in the South on the true Negro situation as a result of his research into Negro problems and conditions. He stated that he considered JOHNSON to be one of the outstanding men in the U. S. and advised that he was perfectly reliable and trustworthy.

[redacted] was reinterviewed concerning Dr. JOHNSON in connection with a prior investigation on December 13, 1951 at which time he stated that his opinion of Dr. JOHNSON had not changed. He advised that he knew of no organizations of which JOHNSON had been a member which had any subversive tendencies. He stated it was possible that JOHNSON was associated with both the Southern Conference for Human Welfare and the Southern Negro Youth Congress. He stated, however, that he had no first hand knowledge of Dr. JOHNSON's association with these organizations and that he felt that if he were associated with the organizations mentioned, he would have been motivated by highest principles and would not have agreed to any subversive activities on the part of the organizations. [redacted] advised that inasmuch as he did not have any specific information concerning JOHNSON's membership in these organizations, he did not desire to furnish a signed statement.

In October, 1944, in connection with another investigation, [redacted] of Fisk University, advised that he had known Dr. JOHNSON for sixteen years. He stated that it was at his suggestion that Dr. JOHNSON was brought to Fisk University and was made head of the Social Science Department, which position he held at the time of the interview. He stated JOHNSON's reliability, honesty, patriotism, and loyalty to the U. S. were unquestioned. He stated, however, that both he and JOHNSON were "a little to the left." He explained that Dr. JOHNSON was not a communist, but was "a little to the left of the middle of the road trend." He advised that JOHNSON's activities in the research as a student of social science carried him into many organizations, some of which probably had communistic tendencies. [redacted] stated that JOHNSON was perhaps the best informed person in the South on the true Negro situation.

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sympathies. He has always been very cooperative in furnishing any information which he might have concerning these individuals and has indicated that he is opposed to communist activities.

On December 7, 1951, Dr. JOHNSON was interviewed in connection with another matter at which time the Southern Negro Youth Congress and Southern Conference for Human Welfare came into the conversation. He advised the interviewing agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that he had been active in both organizations and had been on advisory committees of both organizations. Dr. JOHNSON stated that his interest in the organizations had been because of the fact that they purportedly were interested in formulating some plans for the improvement of social conditions in the South, particularly with relation to the Negroes, and that they purported to make a study of such social conditions from an intellectual standpoint. He stated that because of his interest in racial relations and the field of social science, he became connected with the organizations. He subsequently left the Southern Negro Youth Congress because of some trends of activity with which he did not agree and which he suspected were motivated by subversive interests with which he wanted no part. He stated that possibly there were members of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare who had subversive tendencies; however, he noted no degree of control over the organization as a whole by these people. He stated that in the event he had noticed such control by subversive individuals, he would have opposed them with within the organization.

On June 23, 1955, [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that he had had occasion to discuss the situation of [redacted] with Dr. JOHNSON. The informant pointed out that [redacted] at Fisk University and had refused to testify concerning past Communist activities before a hearing of the House Committee on Un-American Activities Sub-Committee at Dayton, Ohio in September, 1954. Subsequent to his refusal to testify, he had been connected with considerable activity on the campus at Fisk University and attempted to gain support for his position which resulted in creating a disturbance on the campus. Because of this, the Board of Trustees had failed to renew his contract which was up on June 30, 1955.

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Informant stated that when he discussed the [redacted] situation with Dr. JOHNSON, Dr. JOHNSON indicated that he was of the opinion that [redacted] was going to attempt to create an incident concerning his moving from the house on Fisk University campus which he was occupying. Dr. JOHNSON indicated that he hoped no trouble would be encountered but that he was ready for it and if eviction proceedings were necessary to move [redacted] and his family from the house, he was prepared to go through with it. The informant stated that JOHNSON indicated that he was completely disgusted with [redacted] and believed

him actually to be a member of the Communist Party and was sure that he was a trouble maker.

Informant advised that there is no indication of any subversive sympathies on the part of JOHNSON and to the contrary, he has been very much opposed to the activities of [ ] because of his suspected communistic sympathies.

According to the files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, pages 6A2675, 2682, 2701, 2718, 2719, and 2820 of the hearings of the Sub-Committee at Dayton, Ohio, September, 1954, the following information is set forth:

One [ ] in testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities on July 20, 1950 at Washington, D. C., identified [ ] as a member of the Communist Party in Cincinnati. [ ] also stated that [ ] attended a meeting of the Communist Party of Cincinnati on July 1, 1941, which was important because of the change of the Communist Party line at that time.

[ ] in testimony before the HCUA, July 20, 1950, stated that [ ] was a delegate to the American Youth Congress in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, July 3, 4, and 5, 1941 from the Teachers Union, Cincinnati, Ohio. [ ] according to his own statement to the witness, stood high in the Communist Party. She also stated that [ ] told her that he was interested in the "packing" of Local #65 of the Wholesalers and Retailers Union in New York City by the Communist Party.

One [ ] in testimony before the HCUA on August 8, 1950, stated that [ ] was known to him to be a member of the Communist Party during 1940-1941. [ ] was described as a student at the University of Cincinnati noted for his inactivity more than anything else.

An article appeared in the Nashville Banner, a local newspaper, Nashville, on September 16, 1954, stating that [ ] appeared before a hearing of the House Committee on Un-American Activities at Dayton, Ohio on September 15, 1954 at which time he refused to testify concerning his Communist Party activities in Cincinnati in 1940 and 1941. He stated that he had not been a Communist Party member since he went to Nashville in 1950 to teach at Fisk University. He based his refusal to testify on the first amendment to the Constitution.

This same newspaper article pointed out that Dr. CHARLES S. JOHNSON, president of Fisk University, had made the statement prior to

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[ ] appearance before the House Committee at Dayton, Ohio that if [ ] refused to testify concerning any Communist Party activities and based his refusal upon the Fifth Amendment to the Constitution, he would be dismissed from the university.

[ ] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in 1954 in connection with another investigation that the members of the Johnson-Forest Group in Los Angeles, California had been given a copy of a form letter which they were instructed to copy and send to friends and contacts for the purpose of raising funds to assist in the publication of the book "The People of Kenya Speak for Themselves" by MBIYU KOINANGE. The informant advised that raising funds for the assistance in publication of this book is one of the projects of the Johnson -Forest Group. The form letter in part stated Dear [ ] Will you join with me and many others, including Dr. CHARLES S. JOHNSON, president of Fisk University, and then listed another group of individuals in helping the people of Kenya speak for themselves.

The informant stated that in November, 1954, Dr. JOHNSON had been in contact with [ ] Michigan concerning the publication of the book and offered to be of assistance in having the book published.

The Johnson-Forest Group has been cited by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On page 3 of a publication entitled "Festival," allegedly a newspaper of the International Preparatory Committee of the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students for Peace and Friendship, to be held in Warsaw, Poland from July 31 to August 14, 1955, there is quoted a part of a letter or statement attributed to CHARLES S. JOHNSON, Nashville University, USA. "I believe it would be useful for our students to have information regarding the Fifth World Festival of Youth and Students. Until now we have not taken part but we are now very interested, not only in the development of the youth, but also in the friendship of all young people of the world." (Exhibit A) This festival was sponsored by the World Federation of Democratic Youth, which has been cited by the House Committee on Un-American Activities as an organization which from the outset was "far more interested in serving as a pressure group in behalf of Soviet foreign policy than it was in the specific problems of international youth."

The indices of the Memphis Division contain no information relating to MARIE ANTOINETTE BURGETTE JOHNSON, the wife of Dr. CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON. *MS*

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CREDIT AND CRIMINAL

[redacted] Credit Bureau of Nashville, *TENN*  
advised on September 6, 1955 that CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON and his wife,  
MARIE JOHNSON, 1700 Meharry Boulevard, have a satisfactory credit rating in  
Nashville dating from 1928. She stated her records contain no information  
concerning JOHNSON's character, habits, or loyalty.

[redacted] Identification Officer, Davidson County  
Sheriff's Office; [redacted] Nashville Police Department; and [redacted]  
[redacted] Identification Officer, Nashville Police Department, advised  
on September 6, 1955 that they were unable to locate any information in the  
files of their respective offices concerning CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON or  
MARIE ANTOINETTE BURGETTE JOHNSON.

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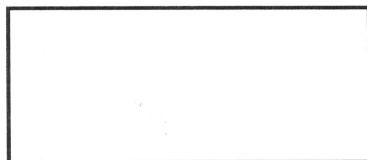
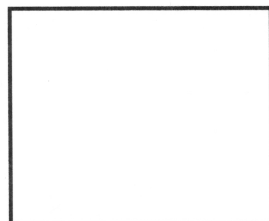
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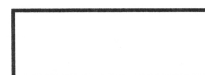
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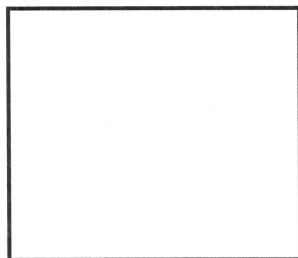
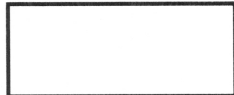
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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized in the report only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed. [REDACTED] requested his name be kept confidential in view of his position as [REDACTED]

Credit and criminal investigation in Nashville, Tenn. was conducted by SE [REDACTED]

ENCLOSURES TO BUREAU: Six photostatic copies of page 3 of publication "Festival."

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**United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation**

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**Applicant**  
**United Nations Educational, Scientific**  
**and Cultural Organisation**  
**Paris, France**  
**LOYALTY OF EMPLOYEES OF THE UNITED**  
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Report of: SA

Dated: September 14, 1955  
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# V<sup>TH</sup>\* WORLD\* FESTIVAL!

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### First Preparations in Germany

"To talk, sing, dance and play together is better than to shoot at each other" is written in the open letter addressed to the youth of West Germany by the Festival Committee of the German Federal Republic, concerning the preparations for the 5th Festival.

Already in October a plan was adopted for preparations in West Germany during the winter of 1954-55. The plan includes: To popularise everywhere the ideas of the Festival and at the same time to oppose all ideas of national superiority, all national and racial hatred, all war propaganda; to appeal to all youth organisation and groups in order to gain their support for the preparations, in forms best suited for them; to strengthen the collection of signatures for the appeal to ban all weapons of mass destruction; to organise a photographic competition under the slogan: "The German Homeland — The Men of Germany"; to invite all young sportsmen, folk artists musicians, singers, dancers, painters, sculptors and writers to gather together, disregarding differences of organisations, to discuss common measures for ensuring that the sport and the culture of Germany be truly represented at the 5th Festival.

Members and leaders representing different youth organisations participated in the meeting of the West German Festival Preparatory Committee including the Falcons (an organisation of young Socialists, Ed.), Friends of Nature, Trade Union Youth, the Evangelist Youth and the youth from sport. Numerous well-known national and international personalities gave their support, such as Thomas Mann, Adolf Friedrich, Duke of Mecklenburg, the honorary president of the National Olympic Committee, and Professor Dr. Albert Schweitzer, Nobel Peace Prize winner for 1952.

The open letter of the Festival Committee bears thousands of signatures. Everywhere that youth live and work gatherings of Festival clubs and local committees are held where they speak of the previous world Festivals and discuss the preparations for the Warsaw Festival.

### ROUND THE COUNTRIES

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### BRITAIN

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One hundred and thirty delegates at the Scottish Youth Assembly in Glasgow called on all sections of Scotland's young people "to join in the 5th World Youth Festival in Warsaw, 1955, so that young people there will meet a wide representation of Scottish life and culture".

### LEBANON

Several sports organisations gave their support to the Festival. Included are: the Athletics Federation, Weight Throwing Federation, University Sports Federation, and the five leading football clubs.



Tag med til Warszawa til sommer

• Her mødes ungdom, glæder, dansende unge fra hele verden

Et budskab til led og organisationer

Har du været med før?

Valgde ungdomslister

Denmark

Popularisation of the Festival began with the publication of a Danish Festival newspaper, distributed in 5,000 copies (photo opposite). Numerous Danish personalities made declarations in support of the Festival. A poster competition was begun amongst the young artists. A great mass meeting is planned for January, in Copenhagen.

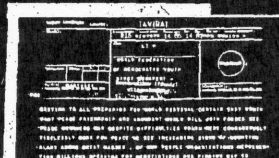
### CYPRUS

A National Committee set up by the Youth of Cyprus is preparing for the National Festival which will take place during April.

## Declarations by Eminent Personalities

### PAUL ROBESON, (U.S.A.)

Greetings to all preparing for world Festival. Certain that youth want peace friendship and abundant world. Will join forces see peace conquers war. Despite difficulties youth here courageously tirelessly work for peace. We see increasing signs of mounting alarm among great masses of our people organisations representing millions speaking for negotiations and finding way to peaceful living. My best to you hope soon I shall be able join with you participate in your historic Festival."



The telegram from Paul Robeson

### D. D. SHOSTAKOVITCH, U.S.S.R.

Thank you for the honour given to me, which I appreciate very much. The activities of the World Federation of Democratic Youth have won the respect of all progressive mankind, and the Festivals which it organises have become events of friendship and peace between the peoples of all countries."





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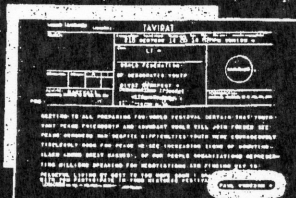
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#### NOTE THIS ADDRESS

International Preparatory  
Festival Committee.  
Grojecka, 17.  
WARSAW — Poland.

Preparatory Commission  
2nd. Sports Meeting.  
Lazienkowska, 7.  
WARSAW — Poland.

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**INDRANI RAHMAN (INDIA)**

With all the warmth and gladness of my heart I send very best wishes for the great success of the 5th International Festival of Youth for Peace and Friendship at Warsaw. Happy memories of the previous Festival at Bucharest, Rumania, which I was so fortunate to attend, live vividly in my mind, its glorious achievement of bringing together young people from far and wide, to better understand one another and share common problems and aspirations, is a great contribution to world peace and fellowship.

The youth of my land too, march ever forward with you all towards our great goal.



**G. A. SCHUR, GERMANY**



It has already become a tradition for the youth of the world to meet every second year, to the still closer their bonds of friendship by sport and games. This year also the World Festival of Youth and Students will be held. I am especially glad that Warsaw — the capital of Poland — has been selected as everyone knows, Warsaw is always, either the starting or the finishing point of the peace races, we have had to date. I remember Warsaw very well from the expression "Warsawian Speed", which has become a proverb, — and refers to the reconstruction of the city destroyed by the fascists. I hope to renew old acquaintances there, which I made at the former races.

As at the preceding World Festivals in which I participated, we shall meet in Warsaw not only as sportsmen but also as active peace fighters. Because of the rebirth of German militarism in West Germany, peace is extremely threatened. Many sportsmen have felt on their own bodies, that rapacious and aggressive German militarism is our mortal enemy. Therefore we give all our strength so that peace may be preserved and we German sportsmen shall contribute, with your support, that the unity of our homeland may be soon re-established.

Forward to the 5th World Festival of Youth and Students in Warsaw!

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**THOMAS MANN, GERMANY**

I thank you for your information and wish you good luck for the meeting which precedes your Warsaw "World Youth Festival for Peace and Friendship". This wish for good luck is not said in order to suit any one party because Peace is not a cause for some party, but of mankind, the one great cause of mankind today, the categoric parole to save the honour of mankind, to shield it from brutalization and extinction in blood and shame. All peoples want peace; every statesman, who is in his full senses, must also want peace, and one can hope, that the differences in opinion about the right means of its preservation won't lead to its destruction. When intelligent youth unite, to discuss these means and to think them over honestly, this must be welcomed. In this sense, receive my greeting.



**MR. JOSE CUESTO**

M. P. CHILE

At this time when peace is threatened by the warmongers, it is more necessary than ever that the youth of the world strengthen their bonds of friendship.

When the youth from all corners of the world unite their songs, cultures, sports, when they discuss their problems in fraternal fellowship, the cannons shall be unrelentingly silent.

The youth of the Latin American countries, the majority of whom are oppressed, want to be able to exchange their experiences with youth from other continents, as a means of finding the road to their own liberation.

It is with all the youth of the world that the future of mankind lies. This is why they should meet and discuss in order to be able, by mutual knowledge, to find the road of life and brotherhood.

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When the youth have taught all mankind to speak their own language of love and friendship, the phantom of war will have no more place on Earth.



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One hundred and thirty delegates at the Scottish Youth Assembly in Glasgow voted on all sections of Scotland's young people to join in the 5th World Youth Festival in Warsaw, 1955, so that young people there will meet a wide representation of Scottish life and culture.

#### LEBANON

Several sports organisations gave their support to the Festival. Included are: the Athletics Federation, Weight Throw, the Federation, University Sports Federation, and the five leading football clubs.



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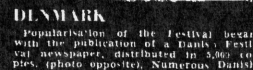
\* It's made a genuine splendour, domestic stage for the world.



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Har du været med før? Vælg dig med!



Denmark Popularisation of the Festival began with the publication of a Danish Festival newspaper, distributed in 5,000 copies, (photo opposite). Numerous Danish personalities made declarations in support of the Festival. A poster competition was begun amongst the young artists. A great mass meeting is planned for January, in Copenhagen.

#### CYPRUS

A National Committee set up by the youth of Cyprus is preparing for the National Festival which will take place during April.

### First Preparations in Germany

"To talk, sing, dance and play together is better than to shoot at each other" is written in the open letter addressed to the youth of West Germany by the Festival Committee of the German Federal Republic, concerning the preparations for the 5th Festival.

Already in October a plan was adopted for preparations in West Germany during the winter of 1954-55. The plan includes:

To popularise everywhere the ideas of the Festival and at the same time to oppose all ideas of national superiority, all national and racial hatred, all war propaganda, to appeal to all youth organisations and groups in order to gain their support for the preparations, in forms best suited for them; to strengthen the collection of signatures for the appeal to ban all weapons of mass destruction, to organise a photographic competition under the slogan "The German Homeland — The Men of Germany" to invite all young sportsmen, folk artists, musicians, singers, dancers, painters, sculptors and writers to gather together, disregarding differences of organisations, to discuss common measures for ensuring that the sport and the culture of Germany be truly represented at the 5th Festival.

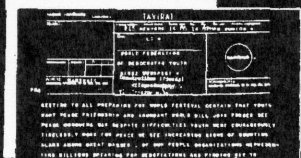
Members and leaders representing different youth organisations participated in the meeting of the West German Festival Preparatory Committee including the Falcons (an organisation of young Socialists, Ed.), Friends of Nature, Trade Union Youth, the Evangelist Youth and the youth from sport. Numerous well-known national and international personalities gave their support, such as Thomas Mann, Adolf Friedrich, Duke of Mecklenburg, the honorary president of the National Olympic Committee, and Professor Dr. Albert Schweitzer, Nobel Peace Prize winner for 1952.

The open letter of the Festival Committee bears thousands of signatures. Everywhere that youth live and work gatherings of Festival clubs and local committees are held where they speak of the previous world Festivals and discuss the preparations for the Warsaw Festival.

## Declarations by Eminent Personalities

### PAUL ROBESON, (U.S.A.)

Greetings to all preparing for world Festival. Certain that youth want peace friendship and abundant world. Will join forces see peace conquers war. Despite difficulties youth here courageously tirelessly work for peace. We see increasing signs of mounting alarm among great masses of our people organisations representing millions speaking for negotiations and finding way to peaceful living. My best to you hope soon I shall be able join with you participate in your historic Festival.



The telegram from

### D. D. SHOSTAKOVITCH, U.S.S.R.

Thank you for the honour given to me, which I appreciate very much. The activities of the World Federation of Democratic Youth have won the respect of all progressive mankind, and the Festivals which it organises have become events of friendship and peace between the peoples of all countries.



activities and actions for the rights of rural youth will receive an important place in the Festival itself and will draw great attention to our demands and world wide aid for our fight to assure a better and happier life. For these reasons we give our full support to the preparations for, and the convening of the 5th Festival recognising that it links our arms with those of tens of millions of youth throughout the world, powerful allies to help us win our future.

**CHARLES S. JOHNSON**  
NASHVILLE UNIVERSITY, USA

...I believe it would be useful for our students to have information regarding the 5th World Festival of Youth and Students. Until now we have not taken part but we are now very interested not only in the development of the youth, but also in the friendship of all young people of the world.

#### NOTE THIS ADDRESS

International Preparatory  
Festival Committee.  
Grojecka, 17,  
WARSAW — Poland.

Preparatory Commission  
2nd. Sports Meeting.  
Lazienkowska, 7,  
WARSAW — Poland.

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The telegram from  
Paul Robeson

**INDRANI RAHMAN (INDIA)**

With all the warmth and gladness of my heart I send very best wishes for the great success of the 5th International Festival of Youth for Peace and Friendship at Warsaw. Happy memories of the previous Festival at Bucharest, Rumania, which I was so fortunate to attend, live vividly in my mind, its glorious achievement of bringing together young people from far and wide, to better understand one another and share common problems and aspirations, is a great contribution to world peace and fellowship.

The youth of my land too, march ever forward with you all towards our great goal.



**G. A. SCHUR, GERMANY**



It has already become a tradition for the youth of the world to meet every second year, to tie still closer their bonds of friendship by sport and games. This year also the World Festival of Youth and Students will be held. I am especially glad that Warsaw — the capital of Poland — has been selected. As everyone knows, Warsaw is always, either the starting or the finishing point of the peace races, we have had to date. I remember Warsaw very well from the expression "Warsavian Speed", which has become a proverb, — and refers to the reconstruction of the city destroyed by the fascists. I hope to renew old acquaintances there, which I made at the former races.

As at the preceding World Festivals in which I participated, we shall meet in Warsaw not only as sportsmen but also as active peace fighters. Because of the rebirth of German militarism in West Germany, peace is extremely threatened. Many sportsmen have felt on their own bodies, that rapacious and aggressive German militarism is our mortal enemy. Therefore we give all our strength, so that peace may be preserved and we German sportsmen shall contribute, with your support, that the unity of our homeland may be soon re-established.

Forward to the 5th World Festival of Youth and Students in Warsaw!

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**THOMAS MANN, GERMANY**

I thank you for your information and wish you good luck for the meeting which precedes your Warsaw "World Youth Festival for Peace and Friendship". This wish for good luck is not said in order to suit any one party because Peace is not a cause for some party, but of mankind, the one great cause of mankind today, the categoric parole to save the honour of mankind, to shield it from brutalization and extinction in blood and shame. All peoples want peace; every statesman, who is in his full senses, must also want peace, and one can hope, that the differences in opinion about the right means of its preservation won't lead to its destruction. When intelligent youth unite, to discuss these means and to think them over honestly, this must be welcomed. In this sense, receive my greeting.



**MR. JOSE CUESTO**  
M. P. CHILE

At this time when peace is threatened by the warmongers, it is more necessary than ever that the youth of the world strengthen their bonds of friendship.

When the youth from all corners of the world unite their songs, cultures, sports, when they discuss their problems in fraternal fellowship, the cannons shall be unrelentingly silent.

The youth of the Latin American countries, the majority of whom are oppressed, want to be able to exchange their experiences with youth from other continents, as a means of finding the road to their own liberation.

It is with all the youth of the world that the future of mankind lies. This is why they should meet and discuss in order to be able, by mutual knowledge, to find the road of life and brotherhood.

The World Youth Festival will be the way towards a greater understanding between all peoples.

When the youth have taught all mankind to speak their own language of love and friendship, the phantom of war will have no more place on Earth.

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<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <b>Confidential Informants, who have furnished reliable information in the past and who have advised that they are acquainted with some of the Communist Party activities in East Tennessee, advised that JOHNSON's name is unknown to them. The Identification and Personnel Data Form for JOHNSON reveals membership in the Highlander Folk School, Monteagle, Tenn. Confidential Informant advised that the Highlander Folk School has in the past had Communist Party members on its staff and as instructors and has followed the practice of welcoming CP members as students. Informant added that to his knowledge the Communist element has never completely controlled the institution.</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">-RUC-</p> <p>REFERENCE: <b>Bureau letter to Memphis dated 8/26/55.</b></p> <p style="text-align: right;">b6 b7C</p> <p><i>element confidential</i></p> <p style="text-align: right;">1 CC A.G. 3 CC C.S.C.</p>			
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**LOYALTY OF EMPLOYERS OF THE**  
**UNITED NATIONS AND OTHER PUBLIC**  
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**Knoxville, Tennessee**  
**September 14, 1955**

**III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:**

On 9/2/55, Confidential Informants [ ] and [ ] who have furnished reliable information in the past and who have previously advised that they are acquainted with some of the Communist Party members and sympathizers in East Tennessee and with some of the activities of the Communist Party and related groups in East Tennessee, stated that they are not acquainted with JOHNSON. They also stated that they have never heard JOHNSON's name mentioned in connection with any of the Communist Party activities in East Tennessee or by any of the Communist Party sympathizers or members in East Tennessee.

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<p><b>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</b></p> <p>Records of Commonwealth College, Mena, Ark., examined in 1941 in connection with another investigation contained a report of <div></div> <div></div> Commonwealth College Association, dated 2-25-39. This report lists one CHARLES JOHNSON, not further identified, as a member of the National Advisory Committee of the college. Other records of Commonwealth College examined in 1941 included a card index file containing approximately 600 3x5 cards with names and addresses of faculty members, campers, students, maintenance workers, and friends of Commonwealth College and a card index file containing a contact or mailing list of approximately 3,000 names and addresses. Neither of these indexes contained the name CHARLES JOHNSON. In 1951 in connection with a prior investigation, <div></div> made available issues of Commonwealth College Fortnightly from 2-1-26 to 3-15-38, which publication did not reveal any mention of a CHARLES JOHNSON.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">b6 b7C</p> <p style="text-align: right;">21</p>			
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[redacted] Mena, Ark., advised in 1951 that  
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CHARLES JOHNSON.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Memphis dated 8-26-55.

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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

In 1941, in connection with another investigation, certain records of Commonwealth College, Mena, Arkansas, were made available for examination. These records contained a report of [redacted] dated February 25, 1939. This report reflected that at this time in addition to [redacted] held the position of Secretary-Treasurer. A non-resident advisory board was composed of [redacted] Oklahoma [redacted] Arkansas; [redacted] Alabama; [redacted] Florida; [redacted] Missouri; [redacted] Arkansas; and [redacted] Oklahoma. The report listed a National Advisory Committee which includes the name of one CHARLES JOHNSON.

No further identifying data was reflected concerning the CHARLES JOHNSON listed as a member of the National Advisory Committee.

The records of Commonwealth College made available in 1941 included in addition to the above report a card index file containing approximately six hundred 3x5 cards with the names and addresses of faculty members, campers, students, maintenance workers, and friends of Commonwealth College and a card index file containing a contact or mailing list of approximately three

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[redacted] Mena Star, Mena, Arkansas, made available for review issues of Commonwealth College Fortnightly dating from February 1, 1926, to March 15, 1938. Examination of these issues of Commonwealth College Fortnightly failed to reveal any mention of a CHARLES JOHNSON.

[redacted] Postmaster, [redacted] Polk County  
[redacted] Mena, advised in 1951 in connection with a prior investigation that CHARLES JOHNSON was unknown to them and to their knowledge no one was residing in Mena, Arkansas, at this time who would know the CHARLES JOHNSON listed in records of Commonwealth College as a member of the National Advisory Committee, Commonwealth College.

Commonwealth College, Mena, Arkansas, ceased operations August 30, 1940. It has been cited by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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Investigation recorded herein was obtained from the report of SA [ ] entitled CHARLES SPURGEON JOHNSON - SPECIAL INQUIRY, STATE DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC LAW 402, 80th CONGRESS, VOICE OF AMERICA, Bufile 123-12551. No additional investigation was conducted. Information previously obtained has been incorporated in this report in the form required in SGE and related applicant cases.

Investigation in 1941 was by SA [ ] as reported in report of SA [ ] dated August 19, 1941, at Little Rock, entitled COMMONWEALTH COLLEGE - INTERNAL SECURITY - C. Investigation in 1951 was conducted by SA [ ]

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:  The credit record of CHARLES S. JOHNSON, JR., the applicant's son, at Dayton, Ohio, is favorable. Dayton, Ohio Police Department records reflect that applicant's son was issued a traffic ticket on June 20, 1955, for failure to stop at a stop sign.  - RUC -  <u>REFERENCE:</u> Bureau letter to Memphis, August 26, 1955.  <div style="text-align: right;">4</div>			
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Cincinnati, Ohio

III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

[redacted] Credit Bureau of Dayton, Ohio, advised on September 8, 1955, that CHARLES S. JOHNSON, JR., who resides at 1510 Detzen Street, Dayton, has been known to this bureau's files since July 17, 1951. These files reflect that he is the son of CHARLES S. JOHNSON, SR., 1700 Meharry Boulevard, Memphis, Tennessee, and is a physician with offices in Dayton at 1124 West Fifth Street.

[redacted] advised that Mr. JOHNSON's record reflects that he has a good credit rating, and that his record reflects no unfavorable information concerning his character or loyalty.

[redacted] Bureau of Identification and Records, Dayton, Ohio Police Department, advised on September 8, 1955, that police department records reflect that on June 20, 1955, CHARLES S. JOHNSON, JR., 1510 Detzen Street, Dayton, was issued a traffic ticket for failure to stop for a stop sign. She stated that police department files contain no other arrest records identifiable with CHARLES S. JOHNSON, JR.

The files of the Cincinnati Office contain no references identifiable with CHARLES S. JOHNSON, JR.

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[redacted] advised on September 13, 1955, that he had been acquainted with the applicant for forty to fifty years. At no time during that period had he ever had any reason to doubt JOHNSON's loyalty to the United States. He further advised that he recommended the applicant without reservation for any position of trust.

[redacted] advised that JOHNSON had never been employed in the Washington area, and had never resided in this area for any extended period of time. It was indicated that the applicant had been employed on a consultant basis on various Governmental committees, from time to time, and had visited Washington briefly in connection with his duties with those committees.

Miscellaneous

The February 1948 issue of "The Interne", the official publication of the Association of Internes and Medical Students, reports the results of the AIMS National Convention held December 27-29, 1947, at the University of Illinois. On Page 57 of this publication is set forth a resolution passed at the convention urging the rejection of compulsory peacetime conscription. It was noted that one of the signers of the resolution was CHARLES S. JOHNSON, described as "President of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, and U.S. Representative to UNESCO."

The Association of Internes and Medical Students was cited as an organization which "has long been a faithful follower of the Communist Party line" and which has supported the International Union of Students Second World Student Congress in Prague in August, 1950, in House Report No. 378, on the Communist Peace Offensive, dated April 25, 1951, original date April 1, 1951, Page 79.

### Agency Checks

The files of the House Committee on Un-American Activities contained no additional pertinent information to that previously reported.

Part 14 of the Hearings of the Senate Internal Sub-Committee, on Page 5323, notes that one C.S. JOHNSON, President, Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee, was a member of the American group at a Binational Conference (India-America) held at Delhi, India, in 1949, and sponsored by the Institute of Pacific Relations.

The Institute of Pacific Relations was founded in 1925 in Hawaii as an organization engaged in research on the economic, political and social aspects of countries bordering on the Pacific Ocean. As a result of documentary evidence and testimony from witnesses who appeared during 1951, 1952 before the Sub-Committee on Internal Security, of the U.S. Senate Committee on the Judiciary, this Committee concluded in its report, dated July 2, 1952, that while most members of the IPR (including the American Council of the IPR, succeeded by the American Institute of Pacific Relations, Inc.) and its Board of Trustees were inactive and without any influence over the policies of the organization, and while the names of prominent individuals were by design used as a responsible and impressive screen for the activities of the IPR inner core, the activities, administration and policies of the IPR were controlled by a hard core of Communists or pro-Communist personnel; that the IPR was considered by the American Communist Party and by Soviet Officials as an instrument of Soviet policy, propaganda and military intelligence; that the IPR was used as a channel for Communist and Soviet propaganda and its leadership used IPR prestige to promote the interests of the Soviet Union; that the IPR had for its chief function the influencing of U.S. public opinion and was a vehicle used by the Communists to orientate American Far Eastern Policy; and that persons associated with the IPR were instrumental in keeping U.S. policy on a course favorable to Communist objectives in China.

The files of the Central Office, Investigations Division of the Civil Service Commission, contain no additional pertinent information.